

**Loess Hills Audubon Society
Board Minutes
May 4, 2023 6:00 PM
Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center**

**Present: Rex R., Randy W., Bill H., Jerry P., Sharon P., Jerry V., Dawn S., Jody M.,
Marla K.**

Honored Guests: Jan N., John P., Mark R., Bob N., Phyllis N., Bob L. Jeanne B.

- I. Call to order at 6:01 RR
- II. Review of Minutes (4/06/2023)
 1. motion to approve Jody M. second Randy W
 2. approved
- III. Accomplishments
 1. KWIT fundraiser 2-3 PM April 28
 - A. Marla, Randy and Jeanne
 - B. Reported that it went well
 2. Field trip to Maude Adams April 22
 - A. Attendance 15
- IV. Officer reports
 1. Rex R
 - A. Seth Brooks- Golden Hills RCD and Siouxland Bird Guide
 - B. LHAS Mini Grant \$1000
 - C. Applying for various other grants depending on success will determine
the size, timing and detail of the Guide.
 - D. The guide is a stated goal of LHAS
 - E. Project would help with Bird Friendly Sioux City status
 2. Safety Deposit Box
 - A. Try to determine the size of box if needed
 3. Retreat June 15 pot luck
 - A. Maud Adams 5PM
 4. Loess Hills Seminar June 2-4
 - A. Share booth with Sierra Club
 5. Siouxland Health Fair Oct 2023 Participate
 6. NW Iowa Sierra Group Chili Social 2024 Participate
 7. Sources of revenue for chapter
 - A. Birdathon
 - a. Feed Shed \$100 others?

- b. Individual contributions
 - B. Signature item sale idea (Marla/Jody)
 - a. Coffee, window tape, bird houses
 - 8. Rex outstanding grape jelly service awards
 - a. Marla and Randy
- V. Projects Committee (Randy W)
 - 1. Motus proposal from Dave Swanson
 - A. in progress
 - 2. Fundraising brainstorming at retreat in June
- VI. Conservation Committee (Bill Z/Marla)
 - 1. Bird Friendly Iowa
 - A. City of Sioux City/ LHAS event
 - a. Prairie park May 6(Marla/Randy)
 - B. Bird Friendly Community website now active
- VII. Treasury Report (Sharon P)
 - 1. Beginning balance \$9,114.09
 - 2. Book Sales “Warblers Journey” \$72.00
 - 3. National Audubon Annual Compensation \$45.00
 - 4. Deposits \$117.00
 - 5. Debits Book stickers \$14.99
 - 6. Plymouth County Historical Museum \$350.00
 - 7. Golden Hills RC&D \$1000.00
 - 8. Debits \$1364.99
 - 9. Balance \$7,856.10
 - 10. Donation/ pledge to INHF -\$3,000.00
 - i. \$1,000.00 pd December 2022
 - ii. \$1,000.00 due December 2023
 - iii. \$1000.00 due December 2024
 - 11. Upcoming expenses \$1000.00 mini grant
 - 12. Walkie talkie expense ?
 - 13. DPNC \$300.00 meeting room rent
 - 14. Motion to accept Dawn S Second Bill H
 - 15. Motion passed

VIII. Estimated budget 2023-2024 to be discussed at Retreat (Sharon)

1. Grants/ Pledges	\$4000.00
2. Honorariums	\$300.00
3. DPNC	\$300.00
4. Square Space Website	\$200.00
5. Miscellaneous	\$100.00
6. Outings	\$200.00
7. POBox	\$200.00
8. Safe Box Rent	\$35.75
9. Projects	\$200.00
10. Total	\$5535.75

We have obligation to maintain a \$1500.00 minimum balance in account

- IX. Program May 4 Mark Hainfield “Birding Adventures”
- X. 2023-2024 Speakers next season (Randy W.)
 - 1. Season program speakers about filled details coming later
- XI. Adjourned 6:59 PM

37 people attended General Meeting